

AVENGED AT LAST; Or, a World-Wide Chase.

A STORY OF RETRIBUTION.

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CHAPTER XV.
It was a sad house when Mr. Wilcox's body was taken from it in a casket and carried to the New York Central Depot where it was placed on a train and conveyed to the New England village where he had expressed a desire to be buried.

Mrs. Delano and Armida accompanied the body, as also did Mr. Blodger, and as the last rites were administered that soft-hearted old gentleman wiped away big tears from his eyes with a flaring red silk handkerchief. He could hardly think it true that the close friend of his early days had been carried off so suddenly and it was with a sad heart that he turned his back on the grave. There was no ostentatious display; every thing was simple as the honest old millionaire's life had been. He had but few friends during life whom he could call friends and three of them wept at his grave.

Hearing of his death a large number of his relations had presented themselves at his house in New York and commenced interferences which were boldly and decisively checked by Mrs. Delano and the lawyers. Many of them were persons who treated the dead millionaire very badly before he migrated to California, but they had often come to become more intimate with him in later years. These he had successfully kept at arms' length; nevertheless they rallied like carion crows, filled with the fond hope that he had not forgotten his relations in his last hours, and all expected that their names would be found in the will in connection with fat legacies. Had they been mindful of the old proverb how much less severe would have been their disappointment.

In most cases they were ignored altogether and only a few of their names were mentioned in the will which was a few weeks later admitted to probate. To the astonishment of all, and more especially to the New England relatives, the bulk of Joel Wilcox's wealth including mining and railroad stocks representing enormous sums he bequeathed to Percy Lovell. To Mrs. Delano he left nearly all his California estates and among them was the Posada vineyard which was now once more the property of the Delanos. To Armida he gave his beautiful mansion and grounds in the Sonoma valley, and the rest of his few bequests consisted of various sums left to charitable institutions and those of his relatives for whom he had still retained some regard. This, briefly, was the last will and testament of Joel Wilcox.

It was not until his body was laid to rest that Mrs. Delano thoroughly comprehended how true and staunch a friend she had lost, and she now felt very much alone in the world. True, her daughter remained; but the stout hearts who had passed their word to assist her in every way to accomplish the purpose of her life had left her side and she had grave fears that her efforts might now fall short of her one cherished desire.

The house in which Mr. Wilcox had died soon became too dreary a place for Armida to be confined in and her mother noticed it. It would never do to see the healthy color leave those cheeks—a change must be sought, and that very soon. Yet something ought to be learned of Percy Lovell, thought Mrs. Delano. What was to be learned came soon to hand, but it was eminently unsatisfactory.

The letter from the American Consul at Buenos Ayres merely stated that a gentleman traveling as Mr. Byron Hunt had appeared in that city, but his stay had been only a brief one. He had taken a trip into the interior, she said, and nothing had been heard from him since. But as such occurrences were not infrequent it had caused no serious investigations to be made, though should any other news come to hand, the Consul promised to advise Mr. Wilcox.

This letter did not arrive until after Mr. Wilcox's death, and it troubled Mrs. Delano not a little. She had heard that Mr. Emerson was again in New York, and she had advised Mrs. Bregy of the fact, but had not seen that good woman since.

Some few weeks later another letter arrived from Buenos Ayres conveying the sad intelligence that the body of a man, dressed exactly as the supposed Mr. Hunt was known to have dressed, had been taken from the river a few miles below San Nicholas, the last place from whence tidings of the traveler had been received.

This communication was a great blow to Mrs. Delano. What should she do now that she had no adviser left? And how should she complete the only purpose she acknowledged in her life? There was all that idle wealth of Percy's, left him by Mr. Wilcox—what would become of that? She finally felt that the thought of all that had happened within the past few months would be too much for her among such close associations and constant reminders of it, so she resolved to go away and seek in change of scenes at least a little repose. She would leave every thing in the lawyer's hands and go to Europe.

While these thoughts were passing through her mind Armida walked into the room where her mother was sitting and said that Mr. Blodger had just made a hurried visit and had been speaking of Mrs. Bregy. He had told her that it was almost impossible to get the Frenchwoman to leave New York, now that she knew that Mr. Emerson, whom she still persisted in allying to as her husband, was in town. She had avowed her intention of seeing him face to face, though her efforts up to the present had proved unsuccessful. To-day she had learned that he was down at his office very often far into the night, and she was determined to approach him and demand an interview that very evening. But, fearing that some harm might befall her, Mr. Blodger had gone down to Mr. Emerson's office to try and induce the mysterious merchant to give the woman a hearing and dispel her strange fancy.

"I trust he will be successful," said Mrs. Delano, quietly. "For it is better that the poor woman should know the truth."

for desiring that the Englishman should come to such an untimely end were best known to himself, but pleasure was plainly visible in his countenance as he read the news.

Mr. Emerson was "not in" to anybody, as was often the case. But owing to one of those mistakes which will often occur in the face of such private arrangements, an office boy pointed to Mr. Emerson's office and Mr. Blodger entered.

Mr. Emerson's annoyance was undisturbed. The news he had read in the morning paper had only given him a momentary pleasure, and when he noticed that he was being intruded upon he was very angry. Mr. Blodger, however, was in blissful ignorance of the fact, and said in his bland manner: "Mr. Emerson, I believe?"

"Yes, that is my name. What do you want?" replied Mr. Emerson, curtly.

"My call will only be of brief duration, and I will tell the object of it in a few words," was the answer which Mr. Blodger gave, as he handed over his card.

"You cannot be too brief to suit me," was the almost rude response. Mr. Blodger seated himself opposite to Mr. Emerson and commenced at once.

"Some few months ago a woman who was selling newspapers over in Brooklyn thought she recognized you as her long-lost husband."

Mr. Emerson was startled, but he readily answered: "Yes, but what has that to do with your visit?"

"Every thing," was the reply. "This woman has recently fallen heir to a large amount of valuable property in America, France, and it has become necessary that she should go to that place at once in order to prevent her ravens from robbing her of it."

Mr. Emerson was very much interested now, but he had been in peculiar positions too often to betray his interest to his listener, so he asked with apparent unconcern:

"Why does she not go to France at once, then?"

"There is only one reason, and that is that she swears she will see you first," answered Mr. Blodger.

"And you, I presume, wish me to grant the woman an interview," asked Mr. Emerson.

"Precisely," was the answer.

"Very well, then," replied Mr. Emerson, whose manner was now very much changed. "Tell her to come to my rooms to-night, and I will see her—alone, you understand," he answered.

"It shall be as you say. Second floor, Grantham Flats," said Mr. Blodger as he read the address which Mr. Emerson had written on his card. "She will not have far to go, but," here he hesitated a moment, and then continued: "Would it not be better for her son to accompany her?"

"No, I will see her alone or not at all," was the reply.

As Mr. Blodger rode back to town he could not help thinking that there was something very unlike a merchant and a gentleman in Mr. Emerson's manner. Upon reaching his home, however, he sent a note to Hunt at once informing him of the result of his call.

That he went over to Mrs. Delano's and told her all about it. That night was the dirtiest and most disagreeable night which New York had seen for some time. It had rained incessantly for nearly twelve hours and the streets were running with water. When Mrs. Bregy alighted from the street-car she had several blocks to walk before she reached the Grantham Flats, and her mud-begged skirts gave her such a forlorn appearance that the porter thought she must have made a mistake until she mentioned Mr. Emerson's name, when he at once led her to the elevator and took her up to that gentleman's rooms.

As she entered Mr. Emerson rose from his easy chair and approached her. He had had ample time to make his mind up how to act and was fully prepared.

"Be seated, madam," he said, in an ordinary polite manner.

She did not seat herself, but stood and looked at him with pleading eyes, as she said: "Alphonse, do you not know me? Emille—your wife?"

He returned the gaze; then putting his hand to his forehead in a dramatic manner, he said:

"If so, how changed!" He spoke the words in an undertone, as if to make the woman believe he did not intend her to hear them. He bent his head and as she took a step towards him she said: "Then you are Alphonse Bregy?"

"Yes, I am," he replied.

"Why then are you known as Mr. Emerson? You are not ashamed of your own name, are you?" asked the woman.

"That is a question which I can not answer now," he replied.

"But you are my husband, aren't you?" still questioned the woman in a tone of pitiful appeal, as if his acceptance of her husband's name was not sufficient.

be on conditions that I will name?" She was in his power and he knew it. This flint-hearted man could afford to be sentimental and knew how to be when it suited his purpose.

"I will accept any conditions as long as you will call me wife again," she said.

"Then sit down here beside me and I will name them." As Mr. Emerson spoke these words he drew two chairs together and motioned Mrs. Bregy to take one of them. Seating himself beside her he said: "You must first promise me that you will never ask me any questions regarding the past twenty years of my life."

"That I will readily promise," answered the now happy woman.

"Next you must not tell any one that I am Alphonse Bregy, your husband. You must not even tell Eugene."

"But that can not be. How can I keep the knowledge from the world?" asked Mrs. Bregy.

"That is easy enough to manage," was the reply. "If you will only follow my instructions and act precisely as I suggest. When you leave here to-night you must maintain your composure. Do not tell any one you have found your husband. Tell them all that you made a hideous mistake and that I am not Alphonse Bregy at all, but merely Mr. Emerson."

"Then how can we be united?" asked the woman impetuously.

"Readily enough. This acquaintance of to-night shall ripen into intimacy. In searching for your real husband the world shall be taught to believe that you have found a new one. I will prove that Alphonse Bregy, your husband of years ago, was killed in a fracas at Leadville or some other place and you shall be married to your new husband as soon as a sufficient length of time has elapsed to make it appear decorous."

Mr. Emerson as he threw himself eagerly into the discussion.

"I will consent to any thing so long as I get you back to my side," answered the woman.

"But how about Eugene?"

"He shall know of the facts in due time," said Mr. Emerson.

"But—here Mrs. Bregy hesitated ere she spoke. 'I have to go to France to see about my property,' asked Mr. Emerson.

"Don't you know that I am heiress to Uncle Du Bois' property at Amiens, worth nearly five hundred thousand francs?" asked Mrs. Bregy.

"No, how should I know that? In the face of this good fortune do you still come to me and consent to call me husband again?" asked Mr. Emerson (or as such we still must know him) in an astonished tone which to the woman had the ring of genuineness about it.

"If I owned half New York, you would be as welcome to it as you would be to a share of my last crust," answered the faithful woman.

"Then you do love me truly," said the merchant, as he kissed her fondly, "and since you are going to France I will accompany you and marry you again abroad."

"That will indeed be a pleasure," said the woman, with great feeling.

"When do you sail?" asked Mr. Emerson.

"Two weeks from to-day on the La Gasconne. Can you be ready?"

"Yes, I can get my business settled up by that time and can accompany you."

So they parted. The poor, deluded woman going to her home under the false belief that she had regained her husband's love, and the devil of a man to dream of the five hundred thousand francs which he now coveted with all the greed of his hardened nature.

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An important meeting of railway passenger agents is being held in Hot Springs, Ark. The purpose of this meeting, it is understood, is to rearrange the rates over their respective lines in the Southwest.

Information from Thomasville, Ga., is to the effect that the condition of Judge Howell E. Jackson of the supreme court of the United States is no worse and that he has decided to leave there for his home near Nashville.

L. M. Ferris, secretary of the sugar republic of Louisiana, and president of the Burton refinery, was shot through the arm by Henry Payne of New Orleans. The trouble between the gentlemen grew out of a contention over bus-ness matters.

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In the United States circuit court in Springfield, Ill., Miss Nora Welton, assistant postmaster at Argenta, Mason county, pleaded guilty to opening a letter addressed to her sweetheart, Edgar Six, and was fined \$50 and costs, which she paid and was released from custody.

The general rains for the past few days throughout California have filled the streams, many overflowing their banks. The Fresno irrigation canal has left its channel and many vineyards are under water.

At a special meeting of the Missouri division L. A. W. the delegate to the national meeting was instructed to vote against the admission of negroes into the league. He was also instructed to oppose ladies' racing meetings. It is probable that the Missouri division will secede from the league if the negro is admitted to membership.

The president has approved the act authorizing the sale of certain lands in Montgomery county, Arkansas, to the M. E. church (South) and the act granting right-of-way to the Forest City and Sioux City railroad company through the Sioux Indian reservation.

The project for the establishment of an Episcopal Publishing company similar to the Methodist Book concern is meeting with unexpected opposition. Less than twenty of the sixty bishops have so far signed the prospectus.

Senator Vest has reported from the committee on buildings and grounds a provision appropriating \$5,000 for the purchase of the Guthrie jail.

The Illinois Steel company, with its \$30,000,000 capitalization, earned only \$30,000 for its stockholders in the year 1894. As the operations of the previous year left a deficit of \$349,472, the showing was comparatively cheering, however.

Representative Taylor, an A. P. A. member, has introduced in the Westinghouse a memorial to congress asking that Monsignor Satolli, the papal legate, be removed from the United States territory. The memorial was referred.

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On January 8, February 5, March 5 and April 2 and 30 excursion tickets will be sold at rate of one fare for the round trip to all points on Memphis route in Arkansas and to all stations in Missouri east of and including Nichols. Stop over privileges will be allowed on going or return trip. W. C. KNIGHT, Agt.

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The Association of California Wine Growers now controlling the market for California vintage, recently sold 1,000,000 gallons of new wines at 12 1/2 cents, and since advanced the price to 15 cents, at which advance it has several orders for large quantities.

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The Trenton Pottery company, the Sanitary Pottery syndicate has given notice to its pressers of a reduction from twenty-five to fifty per cent from present working prices. As the reduction is so sweeping it is feared it will lead to a strike.

An immense electric power house, next in size to the Niagara Falls plant, is to be built this year in the Stock valley, ten miles east of Tacoma, Wash. To carry out the project the White River Water Power company has been incorporated under the laws of New Jersey.

George J. Gould, when asked regarding the report that a plot had been discovered to abduct his two sons, Kingdon and Jay, said he did not believe that any such scheme had been concocted. He also denied that a so-called body guard was in attendance when his children went out for a walk or drive.

In New York a strike among the building trades on all the buildings in course of construction in that city was declared on Wednesday afternoon by the Board of Working Delegates. The strike is in sympathy with that of the Electrical Workers' union. It will call out 20,000 to 25,000 men and may extend to-morrow to Brooklyn and Jersey City.

In Houston, Texas the first cocking main between Texas and Mississippi was concluded Wednesday. The main called for twenty-one fights, \$50 on each side and \$1,000 on the odd battle. Six battles were fought, Texas winning four. The fights were all good. A good deal of money changed hands.

The bill to prevent the manufacture, sale or other distribution of cigarettes has passed both branches of the California legislature and has been sent to the governor for his approval. The senate passed the bill by a unanimous vote and in the assembly it passed by a vote of 54 to 12. It is believed that Governor Budd will approve this measure.

The Harvard faculty has voted to abolish intercollegiate football. The house committee on military affairs has favorably reported a bill to establish a military post at Santa Fe, N. M.

Tuesday's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, \$157,513,610; gold reserve, \$57,976,944.

The government is after the Paragould and Southeastern railway with a sharp stick for building a bridge across the navigable St. Francis river in Arkansas.

Philip Dawson, a young drayman of Birmingham, Ala., shot his father fatally because the old man was about to beat his daughter with a broomstick.

Seven men have been arrested and confined at Woodward, Ok., for the murders of Sheriff McKee at Canadian Texas, and of County Treasurer Fred Hoffman of D county.

A bill has been submitted to the Kansas parliament for the appropriation of \$500,000 for the expenses of carrying on the war against China.

The Brooklyn trolley strike has been officially declared off.

Fort Scott, Kan., saloons and gambling houses have been closed.

Eugene V. Debs says that his conspiracy trial will never be resumed.

The Florence and Cripple Creek railroad has been sold to a Boston syndicate for \$2,000,000.

Chief Justice Horton of Kansas declares that he has no intention of resigning his place on the bench.

The United States is prosecuting George Lydick at Duluth for the theft of 3,000,000 feet of lumber.

Congressman Hiram will go on a silver lecture tour in Colorado and other Western states in April.

A new dynamite gun has been tested which throws a projectile of 2,000 pounds nearly nine miles.

The Republicans of Moberly, Mo., have nominated a full city ticket for the first time in the city's history.

Dr. George W. Rogers, a Baptist preacher well known in Missouri, died suddenly in Emporia.

The president has appointed Rt. Rev. Bishop Henry J. Whipple of Minnesota, a member of the board of Indian commissioners.

Dominic Mc Caffrey, the once well-known pugilist, is in a New York hospital suffering from blood poisoning.

Hon. C. N. Clark, who defeated Congressman Hatch, thinks Missouri can be safely counted as a Republican state.

Admiral Ting, Commodore Liu and General Chang, Chinese, killed their wives because of the defeat at Wei-lai-wei.

As a result of the grand jury investigation, Isaiah H. Bradbury, a negro politician and fixer, has left Kansas City, and his whereabouts are unknown. He is wanted by the authorities.

David Wetzel, one of the most distinguished ministers of the Christian church, died in San Francisco. He had been pastor at several points in Illinois, at Hutchinson, Kan., and Oakland, Cal.

Charles Fair of San Francisco has received an anonymous letter offering to restore his father's will for \$15,000. The signature was "Hart of Sedalia, Mo." for United States money lost through failure of the national bank at Sedalia.

The German government has raised the duty on imported canned meats sixty cents per 100 kilograms.

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The schooner H. C. Holberg, Captain Martin, on arrival at San Diego, Cal., was seized by Collector Fisher on a charge of having delivered arms to the revolutionists at the Hawaiian islands.

In London, Ont., the Dundas Street Methodist church was destroyed by fire. Fire Chief Hood, Firemen McDonald and Siddle were seriously if not fatally hurt by falling walls. Loss, \$30,000.

The South Dakota house has defeated the resolution for a constitutional amendment giving women the right of suffrage, which passed the senate by almost unanimous vote several days ago.

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The work of the special examiners of the pension bureau has fallen into an arrears of over 25,000 cases owing to the recent lack of appropriations.

Fire broke out in the drug store of Dr. John Whit at Centralia, Mo., and before the flames could be checked the entire block was destroyed. Loss, \$15,000; insurance, \$12,000.

The St. Louis and Chicago boards of trade have endorsed President Cleveland's financial message and wired their representatives in congress to support the president.

In Olympia, Wash., by a vote 30 to 24 the house decided to abolish the office of lieutenant governor, the salary of which is \$1,000 per year. The senate will undoubtedly kill the bill.

In Cleveland, Ohio, J. S. Covey of "keep off the grass" fame was sued in the common pleas court for \$3,451 alleged to be due to Hannon & Frawley on thirty-nine promissory notes.

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According to a report by Secretary Carlisle the government expended \$223,737 in the last ten years for machinery and other material for sugar and sorghum experiments.

The huge coal hopper, engine room and machinery and several Hocking Valley coal cars were totally destroyed by fire at Jobs, Ohio. Loss, \$50,000. Eight hundred men are thrown out of employment.

John C. Hall, a leading lawyer of San Francisco, who fled four years ago, after misappropriating \$100,000 of an estate left in his charge, has been heard from at Johannesburg, South Africa, where he is engaged in journalism.

Mrs